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SUBJECT: REPORT OF DEATH OF MAYNARD AND MIRIAM ERICKSON

REF: A. YAOUNDE 2520

B. YAOUNDE 2500

C. YAOUNDE 2478

D. STATE 127592

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- 1. DEPT. BELIEVES THAT EMBOFFS SHOULD PROCEED WITH TRAVEL TO YAGOUA FOR ON THE SPOT INVESTIGATION FOR REASONS SET FORTH IN PARA 2 OF REF. B.
- 2. DEPT. REALIZES THAT POST MUST WORK GURC CHANNELS: HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE THIS EFFORT ON OUR PART WILL IMPRESS THE GOVERNMENT WITH THE IMPORTANCE WHICH WE ATTACH TO THIS INCIDENT.
- 3. COMMENT: MR. OVERGARD OF LUTHERAN BRETHEREN WORLD MISSION HAS RIGHTLY POINTED OUT THAT A VISIT BY SOMEONE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FROM EMBASSY SHOWS USG INTEREST IN MISSIONARIES. WITHOUT THIS VISIT AN IMPRESSION OF FEAR CAN BE CREATED AMONG THE MISSIONARIES IF THEY BELIEVE THEY ARE LEFT TO RELY ON EACH OTHER FOR HELP IN SUCH CASES.

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